

### **CLIENT SECURITY FUND COMMITTEE**

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MEMO TO:

Members, Executive Committee of the Superior Court

MEMO FROM:

Hon. Douglas S. Lavine, Chair

Client Security Fund Committee

DATE:

September 1, 2017

SUBJECT:

Quarterly Report of the Client Security Fund Committee

April - June 2017

Pursuant to Practice Book §2-72(e), the following is a report of the activities of the Client Security Fund Committee for the second quarter of calendar year 2017:

#### I. Claims Filed

Seventy-five (75) claims for reimbursement were filed with the Client Security Fund Committee during the quarter, for an annual total as of the end of the quarter of one hundred and nine (109) claims. The dollar amount of claims filed during the quarter was \$2,295,383.70, exclusive of one claim filed for an unspecified amount. The annual total of claims filed at the end of the quarter was \$3,929,190.42, exclusive of one claim filed for an unspecified amount. The total number of claims pending before the committee as of the end of the quarter was two hundred and seventeen (217), with a total amount of claims pending of \$11,311,105.65.

## II. Claims Approved

The Client Security Fund Committee approved reimbursement for twenty (20) claims during the quarter, and approved payments to those claimants in the amount of \$1,025,354.26. The annual total of claims approved by the committee was thirty-six (36) as of the end of the quarter, with a total amount of payments approved of \$1,704,884.56. The committee also denied nine (9) claims totaling \$334,800.88 during the quarter, for an annual total of twenty-two (22) claims denied in the amount of \$1,254,044.45.

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## III. Fund Activity

The client security fund received \$1,913,671.70 in collections during the quarter from individuals obligated to pay the client security fund fee pursuant to Section §2-70 of the Practice Book. The client security fund also received \$26,060.55 in interest on the fund, \$49,521.32 in restitution from attorneys or former attorneys whose conduct resulted in payments from the fund, and \$48,135.47 pursuant to a court order disposing of certain funds held by a trustee appointed by the court for clients of an attorney on inactive status.

After deductions for expenses, payments to claimants, and other charges against the fund, including \$52,500.00 paid to the lawyers' assistance program pursuant to Practice Book Section 2-73(f), the available cash balance in the fund as of the end of the quarter was \$16,685,950.12. A copy of the quarterly reconciliation of the client security fund prepared by the Judicial Branch Fiscal Administration office is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Hon. Douglas S. Lavine, Chair Client Security Fund Committee

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# CLIENT SECURITY FUND

# Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017 Quarterly Account Summary April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017

Available Cash Balance as of 4/1/2017			\$ 15,325,705.90
Cash Receipts (4/1/2017 - 6/30/2017)			
Fees Collected	\$	1,913,671.70	
Donations Received		0.00	
Restitution	\$	49,521.32	
Other Fund Revenue	\$	48,135.47	
Interest Earned¹	\$	26,060.55	
Bank Service Charges²	\$	(17,265.36)	
Bad Checks	\$	(1,200.00)	
Restricted Revenue Refunds	\$	(1,546.20)	
Total Cash Receipts			\$ 2,017,377.48
Total Cash Available			\$ 17,343,083.38
Cash Disbursements (4/1/2017 - 6/30/2017)			
Claims	\$	457,864.15	
Personal Services - Permanent Full Time	\$	64,351.82	
Longevity	\$	2,303.50	
Fringe Benefits	\$	56,209.14	
Employee Allowances & Reportable Payments		0.00	
In-State Travel	\$	21.15	
Mileage Reimbursement	\$	214.54	
Other Settlements - Reportable	\$	2,337.81	
Management Consultant Services -			
(Lawyers' Assistance Program)	\$	52,500.00	
Fees and Permits	\$	364.75	
Online Information Services	\$	130.30	
Postage	\$	18,659.90	
Translation & Interpretation		0.00	
Office Equipment Lease/Rental	\$	755.57	
IT Software Licenses/Rental	\$	942.12	
Telephone	\$	341.85	
Office Supplies	\$	136.66	
Minor Equipment-Non-Controllable	:	0.00	-:
Total Cash Disbursements			\$ 657,133.26
Available Cash Balance as of 6/30/2017			\$ 16,685,950.12

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<sup>1</sup>Transfer from State Treasurer for Interest Earned (January - March 2017)

<sup>2</sup>Charge by State Treasurer for Lockbox Banking Fees (April 2016 - March 2017)